



# 45,000 Throng Tri-State Fair Memphis, Tenn. Biggest Saturday Crowd In History Jams Exposition

The Tri-State Fair yesterday registered the largest Saturday's attendance in its 46-year history. A total of 45,000 men, women and children pushed through the turnstiles from opening to closing time.

Attendance yesterday beat Friday's by 5,000. With relatively favorable weather (there's a possibility of a few scattered showers forecast for tonight), the fair drew a

dent, predicted a final day's attendance in excess of 50,000. Today is Memphis, Shelby County and Tennessee Day. The gates open at 1 p.m.

## Mississippians Honored

Yesterday was Mississippi Day. Appropriately, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Williams of Shelby, Miss., were named the "Mid-South's Farm Family of the Year." The Williams were awarded the title for excellence in diversified farming, home arts and education.

In the secretarial contest, Carolyn Love of Melrose High School won first place. Ernestine Stroud, also of Melrose, was second. Yvonne Parham and Carolyn Wells of Hamilton High placed third and fourth.

In the champion calf and pig contests sponsored by the New Farmers of America, the Negro counterparts of Future Farmers

of America, Arthur Jones Jr. of Barret's Chapel High School had both the best calf and the best pig.

## Skier Pulls Crowd

During the afternoon, David James of Radio Station WDIA attracted crowds with a skiing exhibition on the Fairgrounds lagoon.

Finals in the talent and spelling contests will be held today. The Tri-State Baby Show, with \$100 in prize money, will be at 3 p.m. in the Woman's Building. Four cash prizes of from \$20 to \$5 will be awarded for the best developed baby boy, with

**BIG TURNOUTS —**  
Throng jammed the Tri-State Fair yesterday during the exposition's second big day. Another big turnout is expected today.



**PRIZE-WINNER—**Judge Theodore R. Wood placed a first place on this Hereford steer in the senior yearling event.

It was entered by Arthur Jones, 17, of Kerrville.

equal prizes for the best baby girl. Children 2 years old or under are eligible.

# Tri-State Fair Will Stress Farm Life, \$15,000 in Cash Premiums

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MEMPHIS — The Pittsburgh Courier will have a booth in the gigantic annual Tri-State Fair, featuring ace roving reporter Trezzvant Anderson, offering information and cordiality as part of the gala pageantry of this three-day spectacular.

Tri-State Fair officials, encouraged by the prospects of a bounteous harvest season, are expecting a record display of farm products at the 46th annual event, which opens Friday, Oct. 9, for three days at the Mid-South Fair Grounds.

"It appears that our greatest livestock show and display of agricultural exhibits are in the making," stated R. J. Roddy, manager of the fair. "For almost the half-century the fair has been in operation, it has laid stress on a program to help raise the standards in the cultivation of farm products, livestock and poultry," he added.

Over \$3,000 in cash prizes will be awarded to farm exhibitors. This will represent approximately one-fifth of the total cash to be awarded in prizes for all categories of competitive events and exhibits. College and school exhibits, the annual baby show, science exposition and a variety of contests will add up to an overall total of \$15,000 the Tri-State Fair will give away this month.

**MAJOR FARM** events and the cash prizes they will bring to competitors will include the following:

Junior cattle show, Percy B. Brown, supervisor, \$600; senior livestock show, B. H. Cooper, supervisor, \$704; college livestock show, H. C. Hardy, supervisor, \$425; registered gilt drawing, \$210, H. C. Hardy; corn yield contest, A. J. Warfield, general supervisor, \$350; 4-H Club contests for boys and girls, W. H. Williamson and Bessie L. Walton, supervisors, \$200; Tri-State New Farmers of America, David Hamilton, supervisor, \$100; home economics contest, Mrs. Aline F. Lofties, supervisor, \$100; county home demonstration agents and vocational home economics teachers, \$100; canning exhibits, Bessie Walton, supervisor, \$50.



# 5th Annual Agricultural

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## Fair Is Termed A Success

*Sat. 10-24-59*

LOUISA, Va. — The fifth annual Agricultural Fair, sponsored by the Agricultural Advisory Council in cooperation with the departments of agriculture and home economics at A. G. Richardson high school, was held Oct. 9-10. A total of 74 entries were exhibited.

The New Homemakers of America girls exhibited 69 entries, the New Farmers of America boys, 162 entries; adult ladies, 150; and adult farmers 93 entries, 31 of which were livestock.

Attendance this year surpassed last year according to the sponsors who termed the fair a success from every angle. A total of \$35 first place cash prizes were given away, along with several other prizes donated by local business establishments. Mrs. Bessie Jones from Beaverdam won the \$5 cash award given by the Fair Awards Committee for having the greatest number of entries for one person being exhibited.

The sponsors thank the contributors and supporters of this annual attraction.

First place winners, who received ribbons and prizes were as follows: Emily Thacker, Bernice Jones, Pearl Buckner, Shirley Russell, Florence Poindexter.

NFA winners, were Mack West, Steve Fleming, Scott Richardson, Thomas Buckner, Vernon Lewis, Edward Richardson, Vernon Hembry, Early Holland, David Winn, Jr., Philip Morris, Charles Nelson, Oliver Robinson, Alvin Wood, Preston Green, Paul Lewis, Willie Trice.

Adult farmers — P. H. Yancey, J. O. Harris, C. M. Hooker, Mr. Dickerson, S. S. Graves, A. F. Dandridge, Jerry Watson, Byrus Cook, Alfred Coles, Walker Lewis.

Livestock entries — Edward Richardson, Samuel Coles, Marvin Johnson, Thomas Buckner, Curtis Ellis, and Jerry Watson.

Numerous second and third place were also awarded.

### In Columbia

## *The Pittsburg Courier* South Carolina State Fair *Pittsburg, Pa.* Holds Forth Oct. 26-31

*Sat. 10-24-59*  
COLUMBIA, S. C. — A marching band contest promises to be the highlight feature for Thursday at the South Carolina State Colored Fair, Oct. 26-31 on the State Fair Grounds.

All plans for the big week have been completed and included in the planning are many bigger and more entertaining features.

Prells Broadway Show, the largest road carnival on wheels, will bring to the midway its best aggregation of spectacular amusements and thrilling rides. This year is the 12th consecutive year for Prells shows on the midway. Fireworks and big prize contests are added features for the six days of events.

The brilliant opening of the midway is scheduled for Monday night. The usual opening night attendance of 10,000 or more previewers are expected to fill the midway.

OFFICIALS ARE making a special effort to have a big Thursday attraction in the third annual state fair marching band contest. The contest will begin at 2 P. M. All competing bands will parade through the grounds to the front entrance and play individual and a mass selection. The parade begins at 1 P. M. The contest will be held in front of the grandstand. There will be no charge to see the contest. A majorette exhibition will be performed while the judges select the winners.

Fair week gets under way Monday night. Exhibits will be placed on Monday. Tuesday is church and adult farmers' day. Wednesday is New Farmers and New Homemakers' Day. Approximately 10,000 farm youths will participate in an annual joint program of the two-state organization. Big Thursday is college day. Friday is school day and Saturday is carnival and closing day.